MISS WEED ESSAYS "ISOLDE."

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the Operas Sung-Large Audiences. The Metropolitan Opera House had an opportunity to exhibit its resources in the matter of prima donnas. Mme. Ternina, who was to have appeared at the afternoon performance, was indisposed, and her place had to be taken by Marion Weed, who was the Kundry of Thursday night. In the evening Mme. Norelli, a stranger to the company, sang the music of the unfortunate daughter of the equally unfortunate jester.

"Tristan und Isolde" was performed at the matinée for the first time this season, and in the evening the opera was "Rigoletto." Both works were heard by large audiences, that of the evening being the largest Saturday night assemblage of the season. This latter fact was undoubtedly due to the magic of Mr. Caruso's name. It was his only Sacurday night appearance, and the upper galleries showed that all Italy had heard the news.

This is not the time for a discussion of Wagner's masterpiece but it is the time to call "Tristan und Isolde" by that name. How frequent are its lorldly proclamations of passion of suffering of death after the carefully compared formalities of the insincere "Parsital" Those who call the iatter Wagner's masterpiece insult the master and show a painful lack of appreciation of the drama that stands beside Shakespeare's (not Gounod's) "Romeo and Juliet"

as the last utteran e of genius on the sternal tragedy of tatal love.

But let "Tristan und Isolde" go now without new comment. Like the Concord and Lexington and Bunker Hill of Webster's speech, there it is and there it will remain forever. Miss Weed's Isolde, which was an unexpected incident of yesterday's performance, deserves especial mention for its good intentions. She has certainly studied the part carefully and has had competent instruction, in which the fine Wagnerian hand of Lilli Lehmann was discernible.

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In the first act Miss Weed acquitted herself with credit and projected into the auditorium promises which she afterward failed to redeem. In the second act, she incontinently went to pieces and her singing in the great duo was timid, insignificant and unpoetic. In fact, her entire Isolde was unimaginative. It was a good routine performance, but the rôle requires something far above routine. A singer cannot simply act and sing Isolde by the traditional rule of three; she must put her heart's rule of three; she must put her heart's blood into it and fill her utterances with the blazing eloquence of passion. Miss Weed's "Mild und leise" was a bare outline. Weed's "Mild und leise" was a bare outline. The woman has both voice and appearance, but a study of her eyes while she is singing shows that she is seeking for something without. There is no illumination from within. Who can forget the eyes of Niemann, those lamps of a great soul? Eheu, functed:

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Mr. Kraus, the Tristan, was in poor voice. acts. He sang much in mezzo voice and

acts. He sang much in mezzo voice and falsetto, but was generally in tune. His last act, when he released the pent up powers, was excellent. He made a manly and dignified figure of Tristan, but hardly realized the idea of a lordly hero.

Mr. Van Rooy's Kurrenal is well known as a notably good impersonation. Victor Kloepfer, a newcomer, made his debut as King Mark. He achieved a pronounced success. His voice is a fine, rich, sonorous bass, beautiful in quality and free in delivery. His singing of the reproach of the outraged monarch was admirable in style and full of genuine pathos. Miss Walker overdressed Brangaene, and sung most of her music with strident tone. But her "Einsam wachend" was beautifully done; it was the best piece of singing she has it was the best piece of singing she has

The real star of the performance was Mr. Mottl, whose reading of the score was superb. Not since the days of the lamented Seidl have New Yorkers heard the glories Seidl have New Yorkers heard the glories of this drama brought out with such poetry, with such atmosphere, with such a picturesque perspective of nuance. The orchestra responded to Mr. Mottl's demands with unusual nobility of tone and flexibility of utterance.

The Duke of Mr. Caruso and the Rigoletto of Mr. Scotti in the evening performance of "Rigoletto" were up to their customary high standard, and Mr. Journet presented his customary gentlemanlike and dignified Sparafucile. a perfect Chesterfield of

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Assassins.

Mme. Norelli as Gilda proved to be a very acceptable Saturday night prima donna. She has a pretty and fresh voice and she sings in tune. Her colorature is clean and her phrasing shows good breath support. But there praise must end. She knows nothing about acting nor about dramatic interpretation with the voice.

TERNINA NOT ABLE TO SING. Miss Weed Took Her Part as "Isolde" on Short Notice.

Mme. Ternina, who was compelled yes terday to disappoint an audience for the first time this year, went to the rehearsal on Friday and was in excellent voice. She has not sung in several years the rôle of Isolde, and when trying her voice vesterday discovered that she was very hoarse. This indisposition wore away later, but she decided it would be best not to attempt such an arduous rôle when not in the best

It was thought that "Lohengrin" might be substituted in case Miss Weed was not willing to appear at such short notice as Isolde. But she astonished Mr. Conried by saying that she preferred Isolde to Elsa, as she did not have the latter part in Elsa, as she did not have the latter part in her répertoire. Wondering at the course of her development, Mr. Conried delightedly decided that "Tristan and Isolde" could after all be given. Most Wagnerian sopranos begin with Elsa and gradually advance to Isolde. Miss Weed on the contrary took the most exacting of the Wagnerian rôles early in her career.

Mr. Conried is trying to arrange a performance of "Don Giovanni" with an all star cast that will employ many of the noted singers of the company. Signor

star cast that will employ many of the noted singers of the company. Signor Caruso is a noted *Don Ottario*. Mme. Sembrich is the most famous *Zerlina* of the day since Mme. Patti ceased to sing the rôle. Signor Scotti will sing *Don Gioranni*, Mme. Ternina *Donna Anna*, a part in which she has won great renown in Germany, and Mme. Gadski will appear as *Donna Elvira*. Mr. Conried hopes to be able to arrange this performance before be able to arrange this performance before

Signor Caruso leaves.

Mme. Gadski arrived yesterday from Atlantic City entirely recovered from her recent indisposition, and will sing in "Die Zauberfloete" on Monday night.

ROOSEVELT BOX PARTY. Owen Wister Sees "The Virginian" With

President's Daughter. Miss Alice Roosevelt, one of her brothers and several other members of the Roosevelt family saw "The Virginian" at the Manhattan Theatre yesterday afternoon. Owen Wister, the author of the book, who is a friend of the President, sat in a box

with the party. Westchester Philharmonic Society Concerts. Although the Westchester Philharmonic

Society made its début only last year its concerts have acquired an assured position, both as musical treats and as society events. The second one of this season is to be given next Tuesda Jan. 12, by Sam Franko and his symphony orchestra. Among the numbers on the programme are Haydn's sym-phony in G major, and Pierce Monsigny's Chaconne et Rigandon. Miss Winsten, the New York audiences. She will give an New York audiences. She will give an aria from Mozart. The philharmonic concerts are given in the New Rochelle Theatre. But the Firemen Found No Blaze Either at the Walderf or the Imperial

Some observant person, probably an occupant of one of the top floor rooms of he Waldorf-Astoria, saw a shower of sparks come from a chimney over toward Broadway, near the Hotel Imperial, last night, and turned in an alarm from the Waldorf corner.

Four engines, two hook and ladder companies, a fire patrol, two battalion chiefs and a deputy chief answered the alarm. As there was no sign of fire in sight, the firemen supposed it was in the Waldorf, and engines and all lined up at the hotel entrance. It was at the dinner hour and the noise made many of the folks in the

the tuneasy.

The firemen arrived at the Thirty-third street entrance first, and before any of them could get into the hotel some one

them could get into the hotel some one on the street yelled:

"The fire is at the Hotel Imperial." This word was passed around and the men clambered back on the engines and trucks and started for the Imperial.

When they got to the Imperial, at Broadway and Thirty-second street, there was no sign of fire there. The fire apparatus stopped at the woman's entrance on Thirty-second street and a score of firemen trooped.

second street and a score of firemen trooped in at that door and went to the roof without

finding a thing to do.

The police reported that there was a chimney fire in the Imperial. The hotel management say the fire wasn't in their chimney, but in the chimney of a nearby restauration.

MINISTERS TO ANSWER SMOOT. They Say They Will Prove That Polygamy Exists in the Mormon Church

SALT LAKE, Jan. 9 .- Members of the Ministerial Association, which is making the fight against Senator Reed Smoot, the Mormon apostle, were stirred by Mr. Smoot's protest which he filed with the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections. The part of Mr. Smoot's reply on which the ministers centre their fire is his statement that polygamy is no longer practised, countenanced or taught by the Mormon Church.

Mormon Church.

The ministers assert they will prove that this statement is false. This statement was made to-night by a representative of the Ministerial Association:

the Ministerial Association:
"We will prove that polygamy is still practised openly in Utah. We will prove that the greatest of the polygamists is none other than Joseph H. F. Smith, president of the Mormon Church. The majority of the twelve apostles are polygamists. Evidence is at hand so show that as many as a twenty, obliding have been been to President. twenty children have been born to President Smith since the manifesto suspending polygamy was issued, and, strange to say, few if any of these births have been reported to the Health Commissioner. Apostle Heber J. Grant, a colleague of Smoot, is a confessed polygamist. He has gone to England accompanied by wife No. 2 to take charge of the Mormon Church's mission

"Investigation shows that as late as October last President Smith publicly indorsed polygamy in a sermon preached in Ogden in the presence of 5,000 Mormons. Does this bear out Smoot's denial?"

FOUND FINE BROOCH IN CAR. Young Negro Arrested When He Tried to Sell It to a Jeweller.

A young negro, who said he was Joseph C. Carlisle, a Pullman porter on the Pennsylvania Railroad, was arrested last evening at the jewelry store of Harris Stromert, 907 Sixth avenue, where he was trying to 907 Sixth avenue, where he was trying to sell a butterfly gold brooch which the jeweller said is worth between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

The brooch is set with forty diamonds. As soon as Stromert saw the brooch he called in Policeman Macnamara, who sent for Detective Walsh. When they questioned the negro he said that he reached Jersey City from Wilmington, Del., yesterday morning, found the brooch in a Pennsylvania ferryboat as he was coming to this city and carried it all day without realizing its value. realizing its value. He was held on suspicion at the East Fifty-first street police station.

SAYS "BROKER" GOT HIS Mr. Johnson Causes the Arrest of His Chance Acquaintance.

A man, wearing a high hat, who said he was George Post, a broker, but refused to say where he lived, was locked up in the Tenderloin station last night on the complaint of Henry L. Johnson, who said he was a Paymaster in the navy, stopping at

the Broadway Central Hotel.

Post was arrested at Twenty-eighth street and Sixth avenue. According to Johnstreet and Sixth avenue. According to Johnson they were chance acquaintances and were out together most of Thursday night and the following morning. Johnson says that he lost a scarfpin worth \$85, and he accuses Post of having taken it.

Post says that a woman was with them part of the time at least, and he says that she took the pin

she took the pin.
There is no Henry L. Johnson, Paymaster,

SUE WEBER-FIELDS FOR LIBEL.

Patti's Managers Want \$50,000 for Story About a Harlem Concert. Robert Grau, incorporated, the firm

which managed Mme. Patti's tour this eason, brought suit yesterday to recover \$50,000 from Weber & Fields on a charge of libel. The suit grows out of a concert given by Mme. Patti at Weber & Fields's West End Theatre on Nov. 27, and the subsequent newspaper accounts of the concert.

Warner, Johnson & Galston, lawyers for Robert Grau, incorporated, said yesterday that Weber & Fields, through their press agent, gave out notices of the concert that gave a totally false impression to that gave a totally false impression to the public of Mme. Patti's personality and put her in the light of a mean spirited and avaricious woman." According to the same lawyers, Weber & Fields gave out a notice saying that Mme. Patti sat in her dressing room refusing to go on the stage, in complete disregard of her audience, until the sum of \$5,000 was raised by Weber & Fields and put in her possession.

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Warner, Johnson & Galston said that Weber & Fields had nothing to do with the payment of Mme. Patti's salary.

"This is assumed," they added, "by the Robert Grau corporation. Under no circumstances could Mme. Patti sit in her dressing room waiting for any local manager to pay her her stipend."

The Bljou Theatre to Be Reopened.

The Bijou Theatre, which has been closed or several weeks, will be reopened the last of this month with a revival of "Mrs. Jack," with Alice Fischer in the title rôle. The Bijou has been closed since Miss Fischer played there in "What Happened to Susan." That play was not very successful.

Lotos Club Vaudeville.

The Lotos Club held the first of its "Satarday Nights" for the season and its annual vaudeville entertainment last night. The entertainment was arranged by a committee of which Dr. W. W. Walker was chairman. Several hundred club members and their friends dropped in during

To Save the Old Songs.

From the Baltimore Herald. A collector of old English folk-song has ecently struck a gold mine in Somersetshire.

FIRE SCARE AT TWO HOTELS, JOHN, JARIUS AND THE GIRL.

TWO BROTHERS ON THE SAME FARM WHO DON'T SPEAK.

Jarius Got the Girl Whom John Was Court ing-That Was Forty Years Ago, and Not a Word Has Passed Hetween Them Since-Massachusetts Romance

EAST BROOKFIELD, Mass., Jan. 9.-Living wo miles from this village in the heart of a rough and hilly region are two brothers, each over 70, John and Jarius Wood, who have not spoken a word to each other for forty years and say that so long as they live not a single word shall pass between

The trouble between the brothers dates back to the time when they were youngsters. Jarius, the younger, seemed to be the favorite of his parents, and his brother was jealous of the attention bestowed upon him. Some triffing dispute came up and the older boy left home to make his own way in the world.

He went to Boston and engaged in the ardware business and made money enough n a few years to keep him in comfort for he rest of his life. He returned to East Brookfield and found that his father and mother were dead. Jarius still lived on the farm, and John decided to make his nome there.

John invested his money in the farm and ourchased new implements. He and Jarius got along well until John began to court a young woman in Spencer and thought eriously of bringing a wife to the old home. Although he had not proposed to the girl,

ne considered his chance of winning her good until one day his brother went to the neighboring town and met the young woman. It was a case of love at first sight After this Jarius visited her often. One day the brothers met at the house of the girl, there was a quarrel, the girl was

required to choose between them, and she

chose Jarius. Thereupon John, who

vowed that he would never utter a word to his brother again, and he has faithfully ept that vow. Jarius and the girl were married. No person knows how it happened, but John at last sent word to his brother that he would give him a small part of the farm and enough money to build a house for his bride. It was probably not love for his brother that prompted this move, but a lingering affection for the girl. Jarius

lingering affection for the girl. Jarius was without a job, money or property, and he gladly accepted the offer of his brother, but he pledged himself never to speak to his brother again.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarius Wood took a small tract of land on the old homestead, fenced off from the rest, upon which was built a small cottage. The cottage was not over two rods from the big house occupied by John.

Mrs. Jarius Wood had no ill feeling for her husband's brother, and she talked with him at times and even visited him in his bachelor apartments in the old house.

his bachelor apartments in the old house. So far as known these visits to his brother brought forth no objection from Jarius, and they have continued at regular intervals during the past half century.

Mrs. Jarius Wood does the house work at her own home and then goes to the house of her brother-in-law and does what she can to straighten out things there. John owns a team, and when his brother's wife has occasion to go to the village, he hitches

can to straighten out things there. John owns a team, and when his brother's wife has occasion to go to the village he hitches up the horses and drives her there. John does a little farm work for a living, and the butter is made by his brother's wife, who receives her pay in clothing.

In fact, Mrs. Wood takes care of both boys, as the townspeople still persist in calling John and Jarius Wood. Once, when John was seriously ill, his brother's wife nursed him back to health. When both brothers were ill at the same time, the woman divided her time between them. Several years ago, when John was doing more farming than he is now, he had a quantity of hay out in the lot and was getting ready to harvest it one afternoon. The crop had been very short that year and hay was valuable.

Extra pains had been taken with the product of this particular mowing and John expected to get a good price for it. Just as he was about to load it on a wagon, a thunderstorm gathered and he saw that the entire crop would be ruined if not placed under immediate shelter.

the entire crop would be ruined if not placed under immediate shelter. He was in need of help, but there was no-He was in need of help, but there was no-body within two miles who could be hired, except Jarius, and he would not ask him for assistance. Mrs. Wood, however, came to the rescue and told her husband to help his brother. Jarius did as he was told by his wife and the two brothers worked side by side to get the hay in the barn before the storm broke. Even after this the two brothers

broke. Even after this the two brothers did not speak, and while they were working against time not a single word was spoken

A SUN reporter called at the old Wood homestead. The place looks like an old homestead as seen on the stage. The old fashioned house, the well sweep, the moss covered bucket, the dugout in a bank for winter vegetables, the old barn—all were there. The house in which John lives is

there. The house in which there. The house in which there is a century old.

Both Jarius and John talked freely with the reporter, telling the story that led to the quarrel, and many were the bitter the quarrel, and many were the bitter in the said by both. Both men are in the things said by both. Both men are in the best of health and bid fair to live many years onger to keep their vows of silence

LIVED ALONE WITH A WOLF. Animal More Companionable, Owner Said. Than a Dog.

From the Denver Post Can a man be fined for keeping a vicious dog when the dog is not a dog at all, but another kind of an animal? asks Thomas Sylvester, who was in police court this morning. Acting Magistrate Hynes holds that the city ordinance stands good against Siberian wolves as well as the ordinary dog. The fine was imposed at the urgent re quest of various neighbors, who declared that on divers occasions and with varying degrees of provocation the dog had bitten

and attempted to bite them.

Sylvester was his own attorney, and he made a heroic defense of his companion. He lives alone with the wolf on Homer boulevard, near Eighth avenue, and declares that his wolf is much more domesticated than the ordinary dog. He says that he has taught him to say "Yes" and "No" and "Good morning" and a number of other things, and that Dandy is much more intelligent than some of the people who would like to have him

Sylvester is a mineralogist and collector. and says that about six or seven years ago he traded \$800 worth of specimens for the wolf, which came to him direct from the wilds of Siberia.

Regarding the complaint, it arose from a common dog fight, in which some seven curs engaged to whip Dandy. Sylvester was present, and enjoyed the scene, for he knew how much chance a common curor any number of them-would have with a Siberian wolf. When the other dogs were all whipped the owner of one, a Mr. McGovern ran in and kicked Dandy, and was promptly bitten on the arm. Then he tried to use brick, and was stopped by Sylvester. "Now, don't you think a man's a fool to mix in a dog fight anyway?" asked Mr. Sylvester appealingly.

How Indians Cure a Cold.

From the Kansas City Journal. Charles Gibson, the Indian editor, claims In one village alone, of 500 inhabitants, he found forty folk-songs, none of which had ever been written down, while several go back at least three or four centuries. And he by no means considers the stock exhausted, but means to return to the same village and save some more from possible oblivion For, of course, the death of one old peasant in any village may mean the loss of a whole repertoire of unpublished songs, and the idea of appealing to the local authorities to try and save old songs, as they already save old buildings, is fast gaining ground among folk-song enthusiasts.

Charles Gibson, the Indian editor, claims that consumption was never known by the Indian until he began to try ollies the white man, in a house. "To cure a cold the Indian went to a mountain to camp and hunted and ate wild meat for forty-eight hours, which is now the easiest way to cure a cold on earth. You never contract a cold in a camp. It is curious, but is nevertheless try and save old songs, as they already save old buildings, is fast gaining ground among folk-song enthusiasts.

LIVE TOPICS ABOUT TOWN.

The upstairs hotel which used to be feature of New York life has almost disappeared, and the few present specimens of the kind no longer recall the best houses of that class. One of them was on the top of Murray Hill. It survived as the single of Murray Hill. It survived as the single specimen of its kind until a few months ago. But the rest are of a much humbler character. They used to exist in large numbers in lower Broadway, and in the days of their decline sheltered a class of guests who tended in one way or another to make the last days of these hotels much less honorable than they had been. Some of the upstairs establishments still exist. But they are almost overlooked in the number of larger buildings which surround them.

Traffic in Fifth avenue was stopped yesterday afternoon for a quarter of an hour while two drivers fought out the most curious dispute that ever clogged the wheels of commerce there. Both the men belonged to a stable in West Thirtieth street, and one had started out a few minutes ahead of his colleague, having taken for his own express wagon the horse to which the other thought himself entitled. He had got no further than the Holland House when the second driver overtook him and the row began. It had all the picturesque profanity common to such struggles between drivers, and the crowding vehicles on the avenue made an indignant wall about the contestants. The driver whose steed had been in-

iquitously appropriated refused to be satisfied with anything but a change of horses on the spot. He struggled to unhitch the animal from the other wagon. hitch the animal from the other wagon. Anything so expeditious as an exchange of places in the vehicles he refused to hear.

From Madison Square almost to the Waldorf there was a blockade of carriages and other vehicles awaiting the settlement of the dispute. It was finally brought to an end by the policemen who had been endeavoring in vain to arbitrate the difficulty. But when the two drivers started at last the claimant of the horse was still on the trail of his opponent, demanding an exchange. manding an exchange.

For the last three nights New Yorkers have gone to bed by candlelight to a greater extent than they had in years. On Tuesday night the gas went out with appalling equanimity all over the city and darkness reigned in many private houses. The Murray Hill section succumbed Serious as the darkness was in many cases, the lack of gas was even worse when that the lack of gas was even worse when that was the means of cooking. After Tuesday many a breakfast in this city was cooked on an alcohol lamp, and the rest of the eating was done out of the house. Thursday's thaw brought some relief, although the gas companies could not promise that candles and lamps could be entirely dispensed with for several days.

It may be true that the supply of apartment hotels is in excess of the demand; but it is undeniable that the recent zero spell with its rigors has turned the thoughts of many to the comfort that steam heat which is reverse application.

of many to the comfort that steam heat which is never exhausted and electric light that cannot freeze really mean in com-parison with the conditions that have ex-isted in most New York houses.

Three times this year one of the modish tailors has sold out his stock of fancy silks ntended for waistcoats, yet the demand for them continues so great that additional orders have been sent to London and cusomers are awaiting the arrival of the material here. The color used for evening dress is white. To go with dinner jackets

more.

"The basements are simply choked with rubbish," he said. "When a cold snap comes an ignorant tenant tries to thaw a pipe, drops a match into the stuff, and up she goes."

A man who went on a tour of inspection with the marshal found that the bins where tenants are supposed to keep their coal and wood are usually filled up with paper, and shavings and other inflammable

mass away, but no one does.

A curious visitor who saw the heap brushed away the dust with his finger from one of the books the other day and read "Parsifal." The paper below proved to be a copy of the complaint of Frau Cosima and Siegfried Wagner against Heinrich Conried. The visitor excavated no further

A VIEW OF TURKEY'S ARMY.

SOLDIERS WERE ALL MEN OF MATURED PHYSIQUE.

They Were Shoddily Clothed, but Appeared Sufficiently Fed-This Authority Says Previous Reports of Their Condition Exaggerated-Describes What He Saw

From the London Times. If the persistent purveyors of information from Bulgarian sources were to be believed, the Turkish Army as a whole would appear to be simply a disorganized rabble, incapable of undertaking any military service other than the "eating up" of a more or less unarmed peasantry We have been led to believe that the fine soldiery which a generation ago by its military quality commanded the admiration of the world is nothing better than a disorderly mob of untrained and undisci-plined bandits; that the Turkish Government is only too pleased to turn this canaille loose upon a Christian province, that it may feed, pay and clothe itself at the expense o a suffering peasantry.

gents were able to shoot down en battue as their officers drove them in serried masses against the strong positions which the komitaji had selected; and these are the unverified statements which have led so many correspondents to believe that in the event of war a Bulgarian army would march south unchecked by Turkey, to the sea. Never been promulgated, for the Ottoman Empire stands possessed of other soldiery than thos employed in the Monastir vilayet, and, with out abating one jot in my honestly formed admiration for the Bulgarian Army, I wish to place on record a truer estimate of the Euro pean portions of the Turkish Army which have come under my notice. Chance brought me here to Adrianople, the

nilitary centre of the Second Army Corps, the Turkish force which, in the event of an outbreak with Bulgaria, would be the first to come in contact with an invader from the north. I had no right to be at Adrianople, as my passport was made out on other lines. But, on a show of determination, and with the aid of an unused letter of introduction to an official in Stamboul I was able to lull the police into a passive resistance to a short stay in this picturesque old town. The narrow streets and bazaars were crowded with troops, for the most part the Ilavehs, who were preparing for disbandment. It is true they were disreputable looking men, if their fighting quality was to be judged by their habiliments. But we in the West are inclined to judge the Oriental by a Western standard. It certainly would have shocked a Londoner to see a battalion at the Tower in the shoddy garments of the Adrianople Ilavehs; but it would have warmed the heart of every commanding officer in the service if he could have filled his ranks with men of the matured physique of those third depressed is untrue. They may not have been well clothed, but they were sufficiently fed It is always dangerous to judge the quality of a fighting man by the cut of his tunic.

During my first wandering in the streets met, pushing through the crowded centreway, a transport train—a line of carts drawn by serviceable mules and escorted by dark visaged, flerce looking Turks. As it was unmistakably an organized transport, I made inquiry and was informed that it was the transport of the Hamidieh cavalry sta-

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BILLIARDS.

Fredericks Defeats Mulford and Make the Fine Average of 10.

A big array of billiard lovers was on hand at Daly's last night to see P. Fredericks and P. W. Mulford play the final game of the 18-inch, two shots in balk-line tournament Among the spectators were Edward Gardner, Martin Mullen, Dr. Jennings, C. D. Colman Arthur Townsend, Albert Gans, Prof. Kaarlus Dick Roche, Billy Edwards and William Byrne. Fredericks and Mulford each played 300 points and were tied for first place. Fredericks, who won, 300 to 285, took a pronounced

lead by running 35 in his third inning.

He ended the run by miscuing on an at tempt to make a close draw left handed. A kiss shot with all three balls on the end rail was an ornamental factor in the run Mulford, however, went after his rival in earnest and took the lead himself three innings later with collections of 23 and 35, playthe first string, and although each man failed to take material advantage of set ups the double figure runs made the averages good. Fredericks made a two cushion bank in the ninth inning, then missed an easy ball to ball

A follow down the rail by Mulford an inning later was still another complex count, but the inning was sparse as to quantity, and Fredericks had 103 points when Mulford had 80. A lot of small runs then interfered with fast progress. Fredericks, with a run of twenty, being first to get out of the rut. A stirring force draw, nearly the length of the table, and Mulford was off for a lengthy run in the eighteenth inning. He made

fraction of it.

Fredericks (300)—8, 3, 35, 1, 3, 10, 12, 7, 8, 7, 9, 2, 3, 5, 8, 20, 0, 43, 30, 0, 15, 11, 1, 13, 2, 20, 0, 3, 19, 2, Total, 300, Average, 10, High runs—48, 35, 30, 0, 2, 2, 0, 4, 3, 4, 0, 0, 0, 2, 2, 0, 47, 18, 0, 31, 2, 0, 7, 1, 34, 3, 0, 32, 13, 2, Total, 285, Average, 9, 15-30, High runs—47, 35, 34, W. W. Farting models of the first statement of the stateme

Mulford (300)—2. 4, 0, 5, 23, 33, 0, 4, 3, 4, 3, 0, 0, 2, 2, 0, 47, 18, 0, 31, 2, 0, 7, 1, 34, 3, 0, 32, 13, 2. Total, 255. Average, 9 15-30. High runs—47, 35, 34.

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There are four players left in the club championship pool tournament of the Strollers, Edward Gray, with 5 games won and none lost; B. B. Tilt, 4—0; F. N. Drake, 5—1, and Howard A. Colby, 3—1.

Maurice Daly had a letter yesterday from A. Marcotte, the Canadian amateur billiard champion, saying the latter would enter the Liederkranz tournament.

The tournament committee of the Liederkranz Club is considering the subject of a referee for the coming championship tournament, the question being whether the referee be an amateur or a professional, or whether different referees officiate nightly. J. De Mun Smith, the St. Louis amateur, who is entered, made an average of 10 the other day, playing against Catton.

Clarence Green has completed arrangements for the handicap pool tournament to begin at the Montauk Academy, Brooklyn, on Jan. 18. Entries close at 10 o'clock to-morrow night, eight already having been received: C. R. Robinson, Claud Lewisohn, H. Beecher, Doc Gordon, J. Seeley, W. Parker, Hugo Kelly and Charles Aiken.

At the Broadway Billiard Academy last night F. S. Barton brought his weekly 14-inch balk line campaign against all comers to a close by defeating G. H. Moore. Mr. Barton has met with no reverse since he issued his challenge last Monday night. The first four men to answer the challenge were easily disposed of, but in the last two games he encountered some serious opposition. He scored a grand total of 1,200 points to 572 scored by his opponents. In last night's game Barton played the longest game of any since Monday night, as it took him thirty-two innings to defeat Moore by 43 points.

Barton—2, 4, 3, 0, 8, 14, 2, 9, 16, 0, 9, 14, 9, 5, 7, 7, 0, 9, 4, 4

HOCKEY.

Princeton Defeats Brown in Intercollegiate Tournament.

first game in the intercollegiate nockey tournament was played last night at the St. Nicholas Skating Rink. Princeton and Brown were the contending teams, and Princeton won, beating Brown by a score of 1 goal to 0. It was not a very interesting game, both

sides being weak in team work and shooting. The Princeton players did much the better work throughout the contest. They kept the puck in Brown's territory nearly all the time and many shots were made at the goal, but the Brown defence was so good that only once did the puck

get into the net, and then it was by ac-

ident. There was no scoring in the first half; in the second, after many ineffectual efforts to score, Purnell got the puck and carried it round the back of Brown's goal. Then he tried to pass it in front of the cage to Leake. The puck struck Otis, Brown's point, and carromed off his leg into the net. Hill, at goal, did some fine defensive work for Brown, and he was ably assisted by Otis, who played point, but for the work of these two, Princeton would have made a big score. Chislett, Princeton's goal

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Chislett. Goal. Hill

King. Point Otts

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Leake. Forward Paing

Turnell. Forward Mason

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Dallmeyer. Forward Chase

Score—Princeton 1; Brown, 0. Goal—By Purnell. Referee—L. de Casanova. Hookey Club of New York. Time of halves—Twenty minutes each. Princeton. Position

Same Couple Weds Third Time. From the Hopkinsville Kentuckian.

Clarence Meyers and Miss Martha McCarthy of Farmers, Ey., were married for the third time Tuesday, having been divorced twice. The last event was an elopement, their rela-

FAST TIME AT INDOOR GAMES.

FRANK RICKERT WINS 60-YARD RACE IN 6 2-5 SECONDS.

Making Allowance for Handleap, New York A. C. Sprinter Excels Record at St. Bartholomew and Eighth Regiment

Games—Benhag First in Two Mile Bun.

The St. Bartholomew A. C. and the Eighth tegiment Hospital Corps held a joint set of athletic games at the armory, Ninety-fourth street and Park avenue, last night, and a record crowd for this armory was present. No doubt a large percentage of the spectators were attracted to the building in hope of seeing Joyce and Carr take each other's measure in the special two mile run. There was some disappointment, however, for Joyce did not put in an appearance, but the crowd was treated to a capital race, any

Four men-Carr, Bonhag, Kennedy and Sandford—started, and Bonhag led for a few laps with Carr, Kennedy and Sanford trailing him, in the order named. After ten laps had been left behind, Carr went to the front seconds. The Xavier man continued in the van for eight laps further, when Bonhag passed him and was never headed to the finish, winning by sixty yards. This is the second time this season that Bonhag has defeated Carr and in much the same way.

An exceptionally speedy piece of running was recorded of Frank Rickert of the New

stirring force draw, nearly the length of the table, and Mulford was off for a lengthy run in the eighteenth inning. He made forty-two points by nursing in the centre space before the balls accitered and forty-seven in all.

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The score of the was 144 to 141 in his favor. The score of the score of the score of the balls in and out of 9 two corners and along the connecting end rail. He went to the cushion oftener than Mulford, but the playing was almost as close.

As an encore to his run of 43 Fredericks made 30 the next time up, and the score was 214 to 182 in his favor. The leader's average at that time was one, and Fredericks won a fraction of it.

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890-Yard Relay Race—Church Athletic League Handleap—Won by St. Bartholomew A. C., with J. J. O'Keefe, 9 yards: F. Bresiln, 10 yards: A. Hars, 15 yards; and W. Horner, 8 yards; Xavier A. A., second, with J. Brennan, 7 yards; M. Wheeler, 10 yards: P. J. Murray, 9 yards, and T. Craven, 16 yards; St. George A. C., third, with John Berger, 16 yards; H. Christoffer, scratch; W. C. Heinke, 11 yards, and Thomas Newman, 12 yards. Time, 1 minute 36 4-5 seconds.

600-Yard Run; Novice—Won by W. G. Downing, unattached; E. J. Ann. Central Y. M. C. A., second; L. P. Hosford, Columbia University, third. Time, 1 minute 25 seconds.

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300 Yard Run, Handleap—Won by Louis Markehelm, Mohawk A. C., 24 yards; R. Koch, New West Side A. C., 24 yards, second: W. Gassin, Central Y. M. C. A., 24 yards, third. Time, 521-5 seconds. Two Mile Bicycle, Handleap—Won by George C. Cameron, Jr., Eighth Regiment, 120 yards, secondghoines S. R. Smith, Company K. Righth Regiment, 120 yards, third. Time, 5 minutes 9 seconds. Interscholastic Relay Race, One Mile, Handleap—Won by Seton Hall High School swift C. Fegong 16 yards; J. Waish, 16 yards; Flushing High School second with A. Montgomery, 14 yards; A. Dempsey, 14 yards; A. Collins, 14 yards; and T. Crecellus, 14 yards; P. Jones, 12 yards. Time, 2 minutes 3 4-5 seconds.

One and 8 Half Mile Run, Handleap—Won by Harvey Coha, Greater New York Irish A. C., 50 43 4-5 seconds.
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yards; M. J. Lonergan, National A. C., 110 yards,
second; J. Suilivan, St. Bartholomew A. C., 78
yards, third. Time, 7 minutes 10 1-5 seconds.

FENCING. Interclub Team Contest at the Fencers Club.

A three weapon team contest, the first in a series for a cup offered by the Fencers Club. opened the competitive season at that club last evening. The salle d'armes in the Windsor

last evening. The salle d'armes in the Windsor Arcade was crowded with the friends of the members and there was much interest in the clever work of the contestants.

The teams were of three men, representing the Fencers' Club, New York Arhletic Club and the New York Turn Verim, two bouts being held at each sort of fencing, with the duelling swords, sabres and foils.

The Fencers' Club won two points at the foils through the skill of Townsend and one point at the sabres and swords. Anderson gained two points for the New York A. C. in sabres and the team also scored in one bout with swords, while the Turn Verein team scored single points in swords and with the foils. The final result, which gave the possession of the cup to the Fencers' Club for the year, was 4 points for its team, 3 for the New York A. C. and 2 points for the Turn Verein. The cup will be competed for until won three times by the same club. The make-up of the teams was:

Fencers' Club—Fitz Hugh Townsend, Dr. S. A. Lawrence, M. Micheloni.

New York A. C.—W. T. Helnz, A. G. Anderson, Charles Mooran.

New York Turn Verein—John Allaire, Paul Benzenberg, George Relmherr.

The judges were Mayor Roessle, Dr. Echeverria, Charles DeKay and W. Scott O'Connor.

Night Skating Races in Clermont Rink. The long start men had things their own way at the Clermont Avenue Rink's weekly handicap races last night, for all of the back markers either fell or were raced off their feet. T. F. Hayward of the Brooklyn Skating Club in a rattling finish won the Class A event by inches from E. J. Mulligan, and in the Class B event C. Granger won from the 49-ward mark. Class B event C. Granger won from the yard mark.

One Mile Handicap, Class A—Wen by T. F. Hayward, 80 yards; Edward J. Molligan, 60 yards, second; Hugh Pallister, 30 yards, third. Time, 2 minutes 54 4 5 seconds.

One Mile Handicap, Class B—Won by C. Granger, One Mile Handicap, Class B—Won by C. Granger, 40 yards; Harold McKeefres, 30 yards, second; 0, S. Eldredge, scratch, units. Time, 3 minutes 4-5 seconds.